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AN

ORDINANCE

OF THE

Lords and Commons

Assembled in

PARLIAMENT,

FOR

The maintaining of the Forces of the

SEVEN

Associated Counties,

Under the command of

EDWARD Earl of Manchester.

Ordered by the Commons assembled in Parliament, that this Ordinance be forthwith printed and published.

Hen. Elsynge, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

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An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament,

For the maintaining of the Forces of the seven Associated Counties, under the command of Edward *Earl of Manchester.*

WHereas the counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Lincoln, and the other counties with them associated, out of their loyall respect to His Majesty, their pious disposition to the Peace and Happinesse of this Kingdom, in obedience to the Orders of Parliament, Have raised and maintained to the number of Fourteen thousand Horse, Foot and Dragoons, or thereabouts, and with them within Five moneths last past have done many services against the common Enemy, tending much to the safety of the Kingdom, And intend to raise a far more considerable force both of Horse and Foot; And have also bought many Arms and Ammunition, and must buy more, whereby to furnish themselves with a Train of Artillery; And have been, and must be at great charges in maintaining and recruting the said Forces, and in keeping severall Garrisons, making and erecting of Fortifications, Magazines, Courts of Guard, and other things requisite and necessary for the Defence and safety of the said Asso-

ciation, against the incursions of the Enemy: By all which means the said Association is become much indebted, and without the speedy raising of large and considerable sums of Money, proportionable to their vast expences, cannot long subsist in a condition to keep themselves from ruine, and to advance the Publique safety.

It is thereupon Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament assembled, and by Authority of the same, That for the intents and purposes aforesaid, The severall Weekly sums of Money hereafter in this Ordinance mentioned, shall be Charged, Rated, Taxed, and Leavyed upon the severall Counties, according to the proportions herein expressed, the same to be paid in Weekly to the severall Collectors, and by them to the Treasurer or Treasurers appointed by this Ordinance for the receiving hereof; That is to say,

Upon the county of Essex, The weekly summe of One thousand Six hundred Eighty seven pounds Ten shillings.

Upon the county of Suffolk, The weekly sum of One thousand Eight hundred Seventy five pounds.

Upon the county of Norfolk, and City of Norwich, The weekly summe of One thousand Eight hundred Seventy five pounds.

Upon the county of Hertford, The weekly sum of Six hundred Seventy five pounds.

Upon the county of Cambridge, The weekly sum of Five hundred Sixty two pounds Ten shillings.

Upon the county of Huntington, The weekly sum of Three hundred and Thirty pounds.

Upon the county of Lin.oln, and city of Lincoln,

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The weekly ſum of One thouſand Two hundred Eighteen pounds Fif[illegible]n ſhillings. And

Upon the Iſle of Ely, The weekly ſum of Two hundred Twenty one pounds Five ſhillings.

And the ſaid weekly payments are to begin, from the Firſt day of May, in the yeer of our Lord, 1644. And ſo to continue weekly, for Four moneths next inſuing from the ſaid Firſt of May.

And be it further Ordained, That every perſon or perſons that were to be Aſſeſſed or Taxed by any former Ordinance of Parliament, ſhall be Aſſeſſed and Taxed by this Ordinance, and ſhall be lyable to as great Forfeitures and penalties, for not paying of the ſum or ſums to be Aſſeſſed, as they ſhould have been, if the ſame had been Aſſeſſed by vertue of the laſt Ordinance for the Weekly payment for the ſaid Aſſociation, made the Twentieth of September laſt. And the ſeverall reſpective Deputy-Lieutenants and Committees named and truſted within the ſaid Aſſociation, or any part thereof, by the ſaid recited Ordinance, to take care for the Aſſeſſing, Collecting or Leavying of any Moneys, are named and intruſted by this Ordinance, and have as full power and authority given them by this Ordinance, to nominate and appoint Collectors and Aſſeſſors, and to Diſtrein, Fine, Impriſon or Sequeſter, as they or any of them had by vertue of the ſaid recited Ordinance, in all or any part of the ſaid Aſſociated Counties.

And the ſeverall Collectors ſhall pay the ſeverall ſums by them Collected, at the place or ſeverall places where the Earle of Mancheſter and the Committee for the Aſſociation attending the ſaid Earle ſhall appoint, to the Trea-

Treasurer or Treasurers to be by them named, which Treasurer or Treasurers are to Issue out the Monies received for the purposes aforementioned, according to the Warrants, or Directions of the said Earle of Manchester, and of any two of the said Committees for the said Association, which shall be appointed thereunto by the said Earle, and a full Committee consisting of one for every County at least, and of the Commissary Generall for the time being of the said Earle of Manchester. And that no monies be issued out without Order under the hands of the said Earle, such two of the said Committee, and the said Commissary Generall, nor yet without the privitie of the whole Committee attending the said Earle.

And the said Lords and Commons do further Ordain, That all Monies Collected and not disposed of, or to be Collected upon the fifth, and twentieth part of mens Estates, or of the last three moneths pay; and all the Monies or other benefit arising by vertue of any Ordinance for the third part of the Sequestration setled upon the Earle of Manchester, shall be paid unto the Treasurers appointed as aforesaid, and from thence to issue out againe for the intents and purposes afore mentioned. And the said Earl and Committee for the said Association, have hereby power given them to call all Collectors, Treasurers, or others, that have or are thought to have any of the said monies in their hands, to an accompt, and to cause the said money in their hands to be paid unto the Treasurers appointed by the former Ordinances; And if any Collectors, Treasurers, or others shall refuse to accompt, or to pay in the monies wherewith they are charged, then the said Earle and Committee shall fine them

them double the ſumme charged upon them, which if it be not paid within ſix dayes after the ſumme is ſet, and notice thereof left at his or their dwelling houſe, It ſhall be lawfull to diſtreine for the ſame: and if there be not ſufficient diſtreſſe wherewith to ſatisfie, then the ſaid Earl and Committee may impriſon the Offender herein, and ſequeſter his Eſtate untill the money charged, and fine ſet be levyed and paid.

And it is Ordained, that ſix pence in the pound ſhall be allowed for every ſum of money which ſhall be collected and paid to the ſaid Treaſurer; whereof three pence ſhall be for the Collectors, and three pence for the Treaſurer. And the ſaid Treaſurer ſhall keep a Regiſter Book of the ſeverall ſummes received, and paid out by them, and ſhall render an account thereof unto the ſaid Earle and Committee once every moneth at leaſt.

And be it laſtly Ordained, That the ſaid Earl, Deputy Lieutenants, Committees, Collectors, Aſſeſſors, and every one of them, and every other perſon that ſhall be ayding and aſſiſting to them or any of them, in doing any thing by vertue of this Ordinance, ſhall be defended and ſaved harmeleſſe therein by authority of both Houſes of Parliament.

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